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II. Remarks

Claims 1-36 were allowed in a Notice of Allowance mailed 12/8/2004. This amendment is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 before the payment of the issue and cancels claims 4-7, 9, 16-19, 21, 28-31, and 33 from the application. Applicants respectfully request that the Office enter this amendment filed after the Notice of Allowance because the amendment embodies merely the cancellation of claims from the application and would not require more than a cursory review by the Office. *See MPEP* 714.16.


No fees are believed due at this time. The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application. Should any fees be due for any reason, the undersigned representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 501922, referencing order no. 149-0045US.

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To facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion, reconsideration, and allowance of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

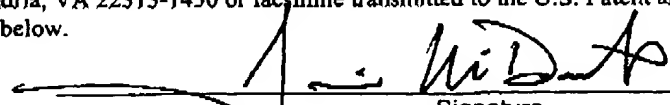
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